



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of **Sherrer**

Application No. 10/022,726

Attorney Docket No.: R&H 03-12; DN: 51962 (ACT - 176)

Filed: December 20, 2001

For: OPTICAL SWITCH ASSEMBLY
WITH FLEX PLATE AND METHOD
FOR MAKING

Examiner: Scott A. Knauss

Group Art Unit: 2874

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**METHOD FOR MAKING FIBER ARRAY HAVING PROTRUDING OPTICAL FIBERS
AND RESULTING FIBER ARRAY**

Serial Number: 09/814,128

Filing Date: March 22, 2001

Inventor: David W. Sherrer

Applicants respectfully request full and proper consideration of the listed information during examination of the application, and that the listed information be printed on any patent that issues therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

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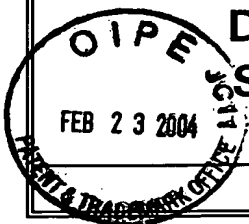
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UNITED STATES PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER'S INITIALS	CITE NO.	PATENT NUMBER	ISSUE DATE MM-DD-YYYY	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR
		6086704	07/11/2000	Kanai et al.

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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Fee Description

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